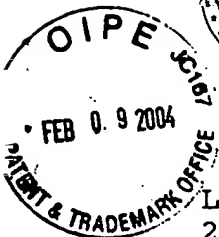


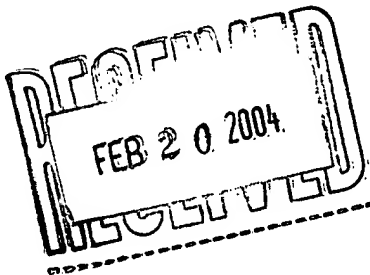


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In re Application of
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Application No. 09/305,989
Filed: May 6, 1999
For: Methods of Treating
Diabetes

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: DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
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This is in response to the "Request for Reconsideration of
Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)," filed January 11, 2001
(Certificate of Mailing date January 9, 2001).

The petition is granted.

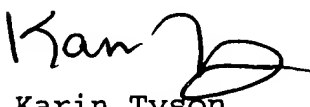
Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor has
refused to join in the filing of the above-identified
application. Specifically, the declaration by Ms. Zacharakis
clearly establishes that the non-signing inventor, Mr.
Strassman, received the application papers and refused to
sign the declaration.

The above-identified application and papers have been
reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This
application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(a), this Office will forward notice
of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at
the address given in the Declaration. Notice of the filing
of this application will also be published in the Official
Gazette.

After the mailing of this decision, this will be forwarded to
Group Art Unit 1648 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be
directed to the undersigned at (703)306-3159.


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